An Overview of Pipeline Configuration Alternatives

Presentation Objectives

- basic concepts
- simplified definitions
- historical background

Basic Concepts and Definitions

- single wall pipelines
- pipe-in-pipe pipelines
- pipe bundle pipelines
- typical installation equipment
- typical installation methods

Historical Background

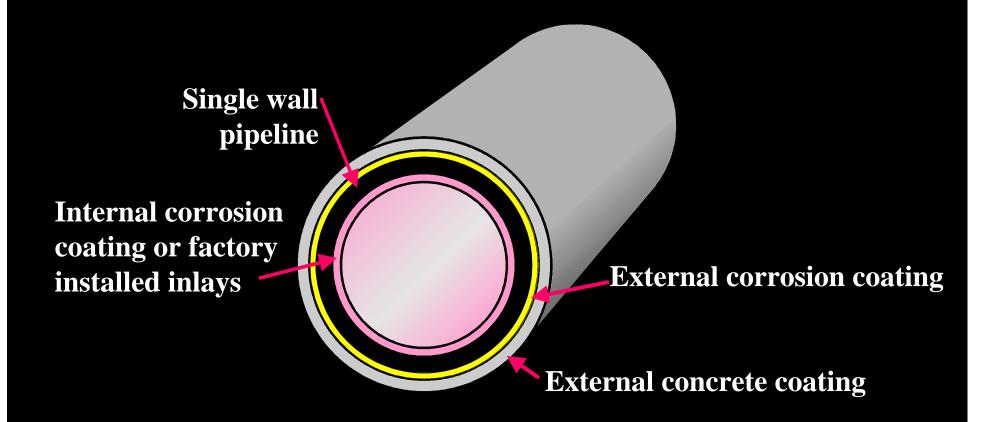
- pipe-in-pipe and pipe bundle installation
- statistics on worldwide installation
- installed lengths, sizes, water, depth, etc.

Breakout Sessions

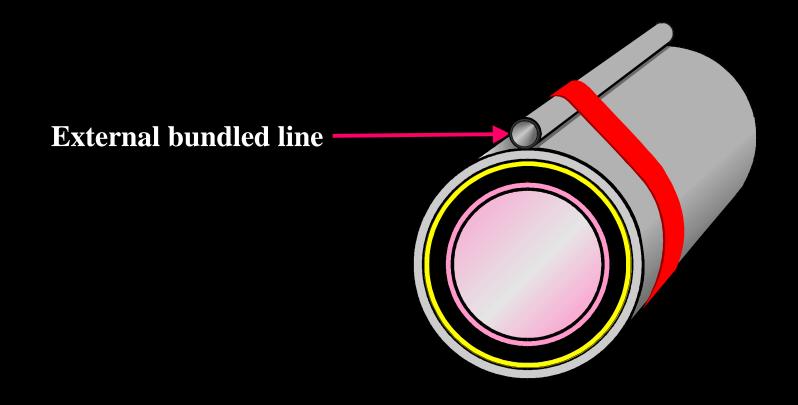
Discussion of:

- comparison of pros and cons of various alternatives
- preferred pipeline configuration for Alaska's offshore

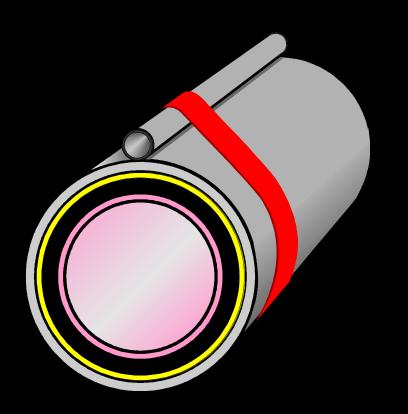
Single Wall Pipelines



Single Wall Pipelines - with external bundled line



Single Wall Pipelines



Applications:

- most areas of the world
- wall thickness and coating variations match requirements
- external bundles requiring operating flexibility

Pipe-in-Pipe Pipelines

Single Pipe-in-Pipe (Concentric)

Outer jacket pipe

Spacer/Bulkhead

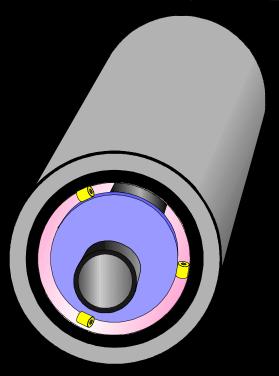
Inner product pipe

Rollers or guides

Insulation

Pipe-in-Pipe Pipelines

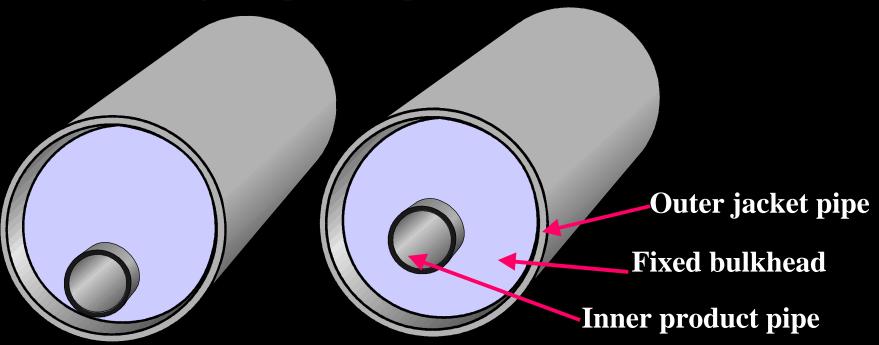
Single Pipe-in-Pipe (Concentric)



- increased insulation/protection
- controlled buoyancy for installation

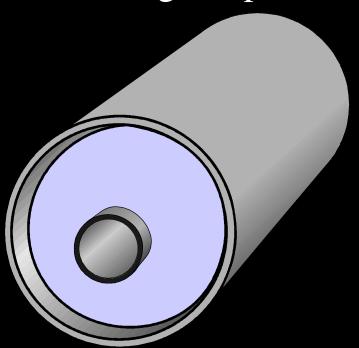
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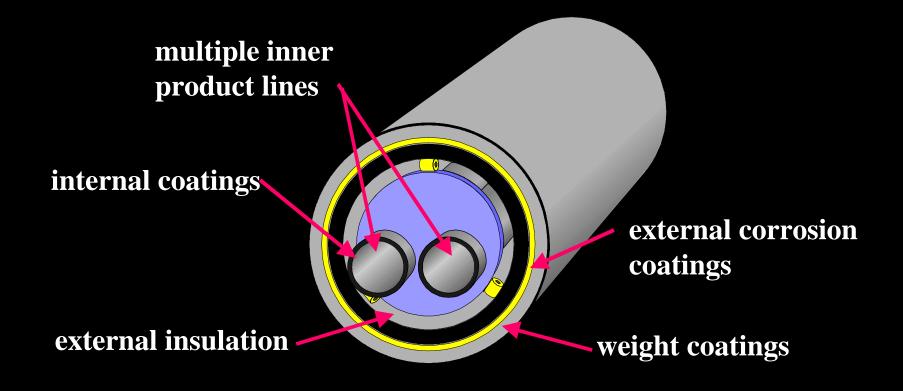
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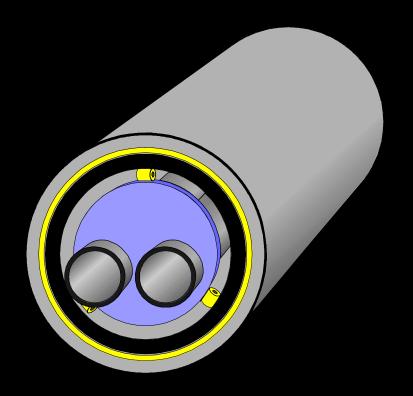


- insulation/protection
- two lines to optimize design
- offsets collapse stresses during installation

Cased Bundles

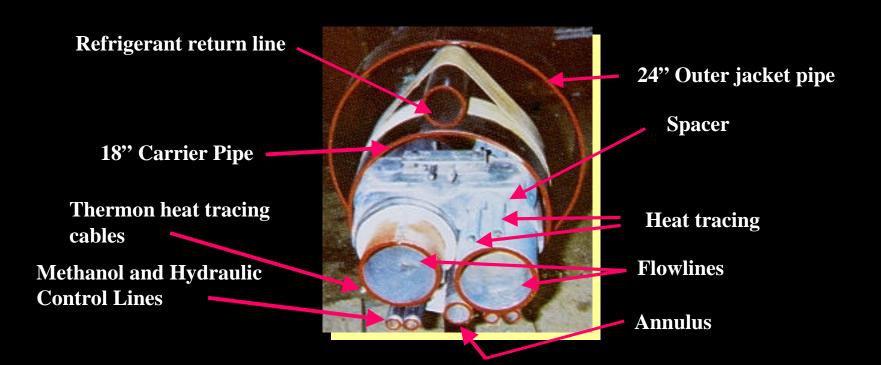


Cased Bundles



- unique and complex operating conditions
- need for utility lines, power, data
- additional insulation
- ease of installation

Cased Bundles - Drake F-76



Offshore Pipeline Installation Equipment and Methods

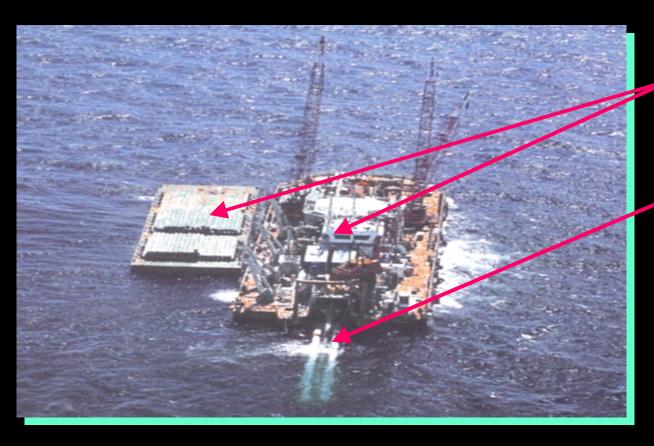
Installation Equipment

- lay barge
- reel barge/ship
- conventional pipeline spread

Installation Methods

- open water pipe lay
- tow or pull
- over-ice pipe lay

Conventional Lay Barges



Pipe storage fit up and welding

Stinger

Conventional Lay Barges



- open, calm water
- ice-free

Reel Barges or Ships



Pipe reel

Stinger

Reel Barges or Ships



- open, ice-free water
- deep water

Conventional Pipeline Spread



Conventional Pipeline Spread



- shore approach
- over-ice
- shallow water

Open Water Lay



- open, calm water
- ice-free

Towed Bundles



Towed Bundles



Towed Bundles



- deep water
- pipe-in-pipe
- reduce installation forces on lay barge or reel barge
- narrow construction window

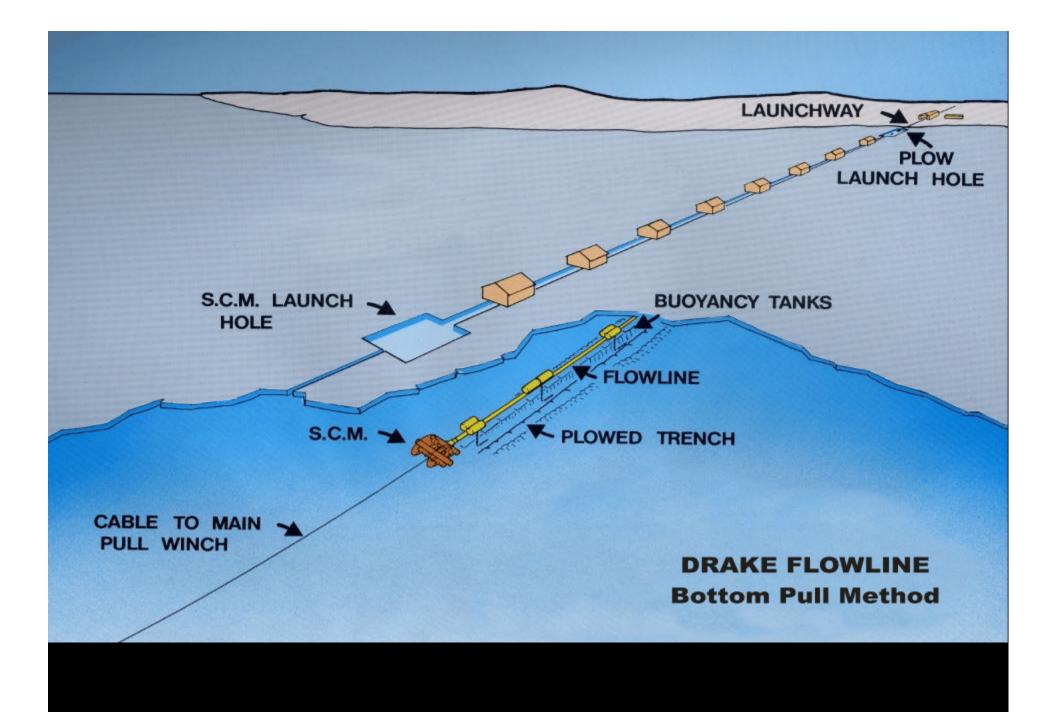
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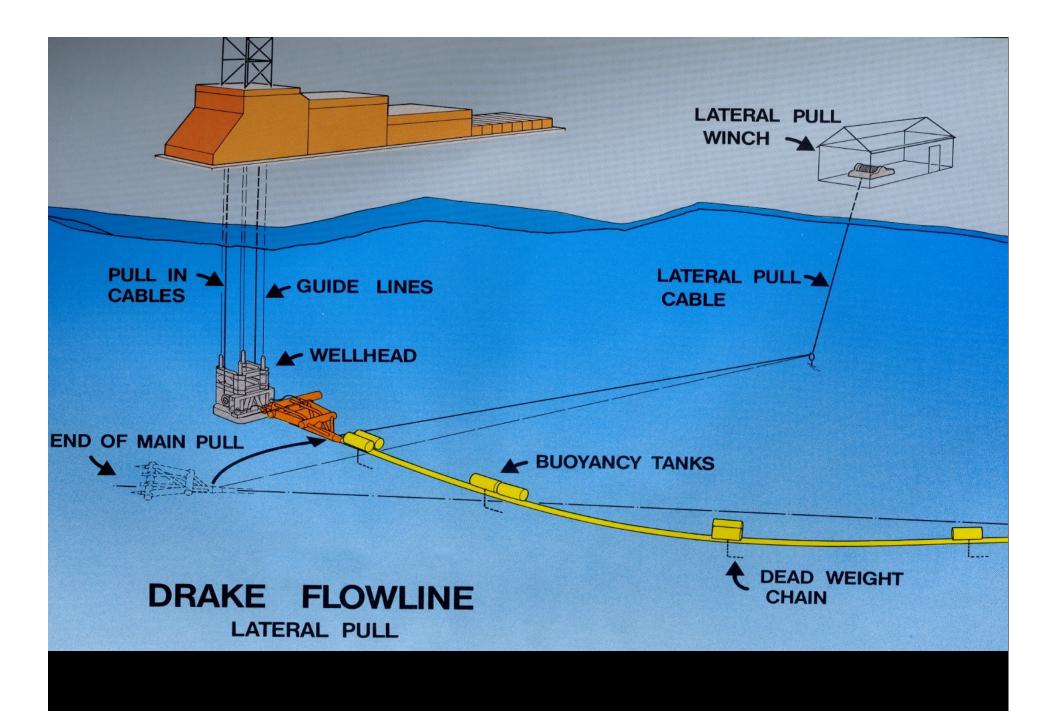


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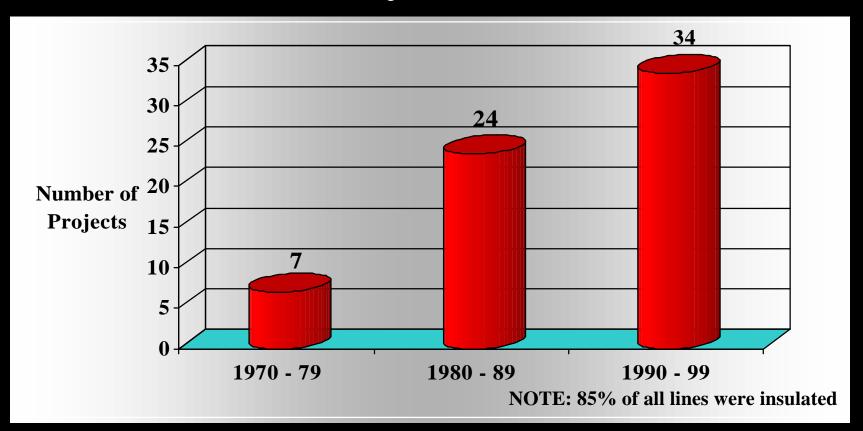


- arctic locations
- shallow water
- shoreline transitions

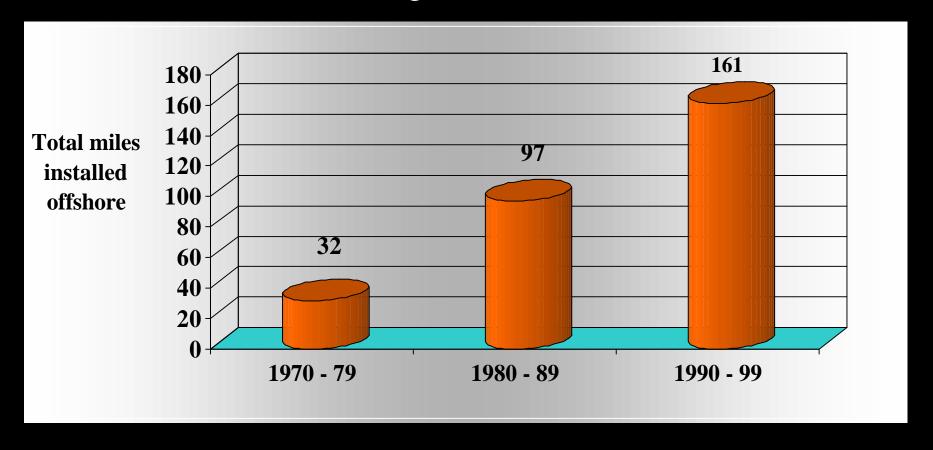




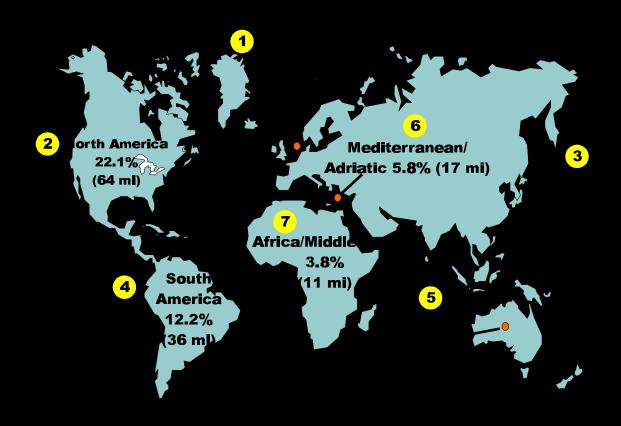
Total Projects vs. Time



Total Length vs. Time



Geographical Distribution



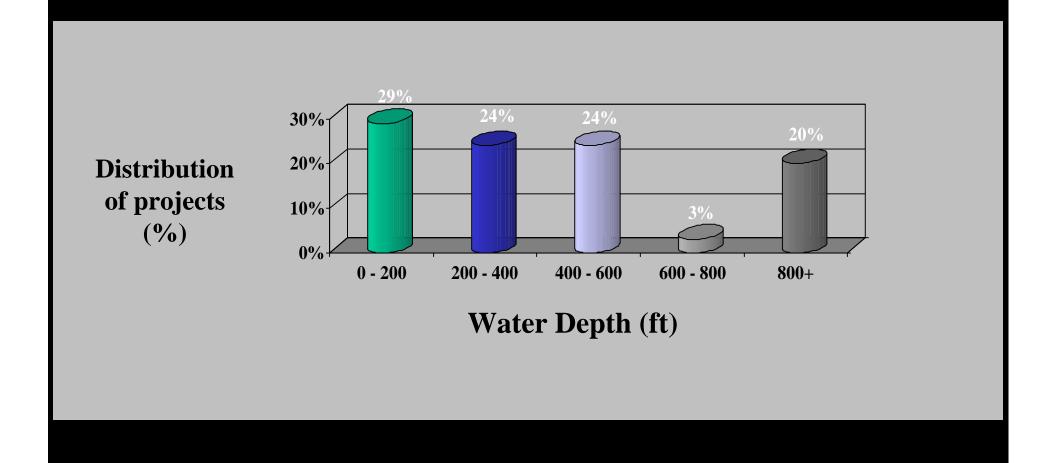
Pipe-in-Pipe and Pipe Statistics

Percentage of Total Pipeline Population

| | North Sea | Gulf of Mexico |
|----------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Total Offshore Pipe | 11,000 mi | 23,000 mi |
| Pipe-in-pipe/bundle | 1.0% (103 mi) | 0.3% (64 mi) |

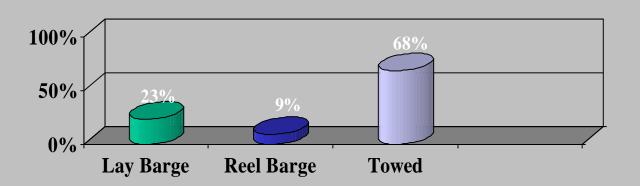
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Water Depth for Projects

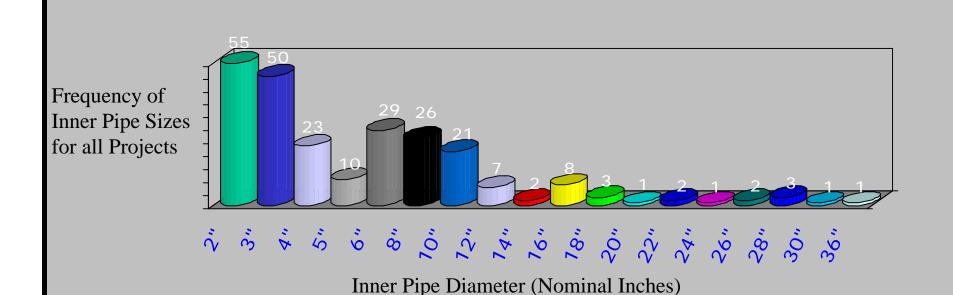


Installation Method

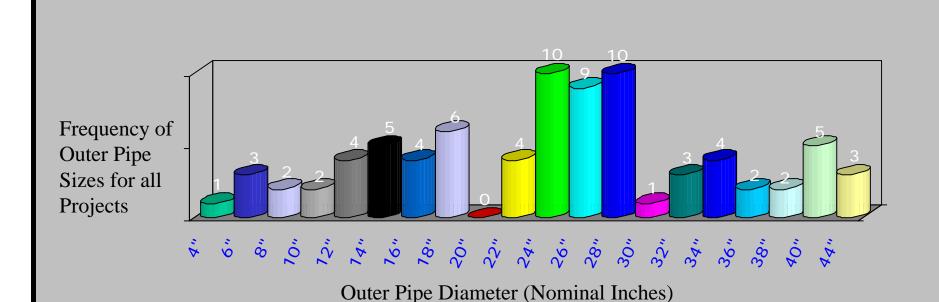
Distribution of installation methods (%)



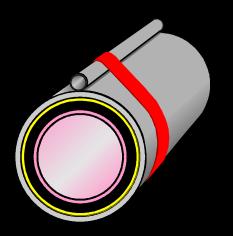
Inner Pipe Diameter



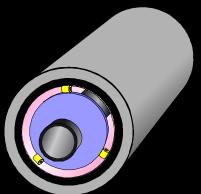
Outer Pipe Distribution



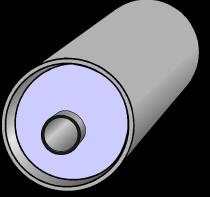
Summary: Various Configurations



single wall and external bundle



pipe-in-pipe with spacer



pipe-in-pipe with bulkhead



Drake F-76 bundle

Summary: Various Installation Equipment



reel ship



lay barge



conventional pipeline spread

Summary: Various Installation Methods



over-ice



open water pipe lay



tow or pull

Summary: Statistics

- >99% of all offshore lines are single wall
- increasing number of projects using pipe-inpipe/bundles, most insulated
- high percentage used in deeper water
- towed installation method common
- wide range of sizes

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